SENATE RESOLUTION 43

By Massey

A RESOLUTION to recognize Barbara H. Monty on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Barbara H. Monty is one such estimable person who has devoted her career to public service; and

WHEREAS, a registered dietician with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nutrition and Administration from Cornell University, Barbara Monty first arrived in Knoxville on May 1, 1963, when her husband, Kenneth J. Monty, PhD, began his career as a Professor of Biochemistry at the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Barbara H. Monty began her career of public service in Knoxville by serving for three years as a volunteer, helping to start and run a summer feeding program for children; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Monty has faithfully served the citizens of Knoxville and Knox County through her leadership in the Community Action Committee, primarily as Director of the Office on Aging, for forty-two years; and

WHEREAS, the senior adult communities of Knoxville and Knox County have benefitted greatly from Barbara Monty's vision and commitment to implement a comprehensive and insightful program of senior services; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Monty has worked tirelessly in her efforts to ensure the necessary financial support of and sustainability for all of the programs within the Office on Aging; and

WHEREAS, she has proven instrumental in developing major transportation initiatives that enable the senior community to stay active and to attend the functions that enrich their lives; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Monty has greatly enhanced the knowledge of and availability of resources for the senior community; led a substantial effort to improve the nutritional well-being of the senior community; and promoted opportunities for seniors to maintain their social life and to participate in appropriate recreational activities; and

WHEREAS, throughout her career in public service, Barbara Monty has remained a staunch advocate for the rights of seniors and has contributed significantly to the efforts of senior adults to remain active and to live independently while remaining in their own homes; and

WHEREAS, Barbara Monty is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we commend Barbara H. Monty for her exceptional service to the good people of Knoxville and Knox County, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.